

benefits of the passage of this bill. But if you're looking to help last opportunity financing for agriculture, I suppose this is not the vehicle, directly anyway, and you might need to gut the bill or find another vehicle to address that problem, but let's look at the issue as it is in this particular piece of legislation and adopt this segment of the, or part one of the amendment to make sure that we're protecting ourselves, if that's what we're trying to do. And I think that's what the intent of this amendment was in the beginning was to make sure that the transaction is a good transaction and one that the state will be protected by. I move part one of the amendment.

SPEAKER NICHOL: You've heard the closing on part one of the amendment. All those in favor vote aye, opposed nay. Please vote if you care to. Record, Mr. Clerk, please.

CLERK: 25 ayes, 2 nays, Mr. President, on adoption of Senator Rod Johnson's first amendment.

SPEAKER NICHOL: The first half of Senator Rod Johnson's amendment is adopted. Senator Rod Johnson, on the second half.

SENATOR R. JOHNSON: Mr. President, rather than take a lot of time, because I'm sure Senator Vard Johnson has got an awful lot to say about this particular segment, what we're trying to do here again is protect the state by saying that when the reserve falls to a dangerous level that the Governor can include some financing for this in his budget recommendation. Once again, that's to let the Legislature know that the authority may be having some difficulty. I'd like to say that I don't anticipate any difficulty, but I think that would be dishonest and once again, it's another tool : instrument that we're using to try and protect the state's interest here and not get ourselves into a situation as was the case with the NDIGC. I would move for the adoption of the amendment.

SPEAKER NICHOL: There are no other lights on so the question is the adoption of the second half of Senator Rod Johnson's amendment. All those in favor vote aye, opposed nay. Please vote if you care to. Record, Mr. Clerk. Senator Rod Johnson.

SENATOR R. JOHNSON: As much as I hate to do it, Mr. President, I'd ask for a call of the house and...

SPEAKER NICHOL: The question is, shall the house go under call? All those in favor vote aye, opposed nay. Record, Mr. Clerk,